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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6087**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 116

**NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 1, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Social Security Numbers and DNR Licenses.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Meeks R

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **X FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that an applicant for a hunting, trapping, or fishing license is not required to provide the applicant's Social Security number.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2004.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** Removing the existing requirement that applicants disclose their Social Security number on the application for a hunting and fishing license will have no direct fiscal impact on the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Eliminating the penalty provision for violating the confidentiality requirement should also have no significant fiscal impact. (Currently, violating the confidentiality requirement is a Class A infraction which has a maximum judgment of \$10,000 which is deposited in the state General Fund.)

*Background.* SEA 178 (2002) required an applicant for a marriage, hunting, trapping, or fishing license to provide the applicant's Social Security number in an effort to implement child-support provisions required by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The federal government's response to eliminating the requirement on an application for a hunting, trapping, or fishing license is not known. Three federal reimbursement programs help fund DNR's Division of Fish and Wildlife--the Pittman-Robertson Act, the Dingell-Johnson Act, and State Wildlife Grants. For the federal fiscal year 2002-2003, these three programs provided \$8.85 M to the state.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Natural Resources.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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